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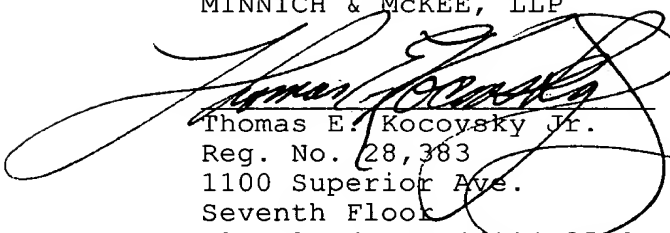
The applicant has received a Search Report from the European Patent Office in connection with a PCT application of the same inventor which is directed to improvements in the present technology. The Search Report cited U.S. Patent No. 5,511,360 which is a parent of the present application, U.S. Patent No. 3,509,683, U.S. Patent No. 3,345,798, U.S. Patent No. 3,494,098 which is already of record in this application, EP 0 510 803 which is identified as corresponding to U.S. Patent No. 5,328,210, and U.S. Patent No. 3,760,154 which is already of record in the present application. U.S. Patent No. 3,439,587 was identified in the Search Report as being related to U.S. Patent No. 3,345,798.

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